

Quarterly Report

April-June 1995

Overview

The three Spring months were an active, workmanlike period for the Fund for UFO Research. With sightings at a low ebb and only a few abduction cases trickling in, executive committee members busied themselves with monitoring a number of C-F-M projects, evaluating grant proposals, keeping abreast on the scant news items emerging from the GAO, and dealing with the growing controversy over the Santilli film footage. Of major importance during this period was the fourth Coalition meeting held in Las Vegas, NV, in April. Representatives from the three major UFO organizations were in attendance. ✱

C-F-M Activity

The Fund was represented by Don Berliner and Rob Swiatek at the C-F-M (Coalition) meeting in Las Vegas. A number of new proposals were reviewed at this time by the representatives and subsequently approved. Additionally, status reports on several ongoing projects were presented. Foremost among these from a Fund standpoint were (1) the update on volume II of *The UFO Evidence* and (2) the summary of activity for *Project 1947*. Richard Hall is chief researcher and writer for volume II of *The UFO Evidence* while Jan Aldrich is conducting the extensive survey of newspaper coverage that constitutes *Project 1947*. The Aldrich survey is being administered by the Fund, while the Center for UFO Studies is

overseeing Richard Hall's follow-up to *The UFO Evidence*. Extensive discussion regarding continuation of Coalition activities into the fiscal year beginning in July was also a major part of the agenda. ✱

Office Activity and Announcements

Fund office activity for the second quarter of 1995 was steady, with, however, fewer radio interviews than in corresponding time periods of previous years. Even the appearance of three UFO articles in the *Washington Post* failed to jumpstart media interest. Of significance was the growing attention being paid to the now-infamous Santilli film that purports to show the dissection or autopsy of an alien body (word of the film's existence first reached the Fund early in 1995). The Fund takes the position that although the film currently cannot be proven a hoax, the facts surrounding its discovery and existence along with the physical appearance of the "alien" cast substantial doubt on its being a genuine government record of a truly earthshaking event.

On 28 May 1995, members Hall and Swiatek discovered a cache of "lost" NICAP files at the Luray, Virginia, estate of the late Major Donald E. Keyhoe. The files, including many letters written by Keyhoe along with a number of scarce copies of Air Force documents, are now housed in Richard Hall's residence where they will become part

of an envisioned "Keyhoe archives." A fund-raising effort keyed around some of these newly-recovered files will be developed later this year. ✧

Fund-Raising

A quick glance at the Fund's balance sheet reveals the bulk of the income for the period was derived from the Coalition's benefactor. These funds took the form of donations and, primarily, monies earmarked for specific Coalition-approved projects that FUFOR is overseeing. The Fund's traditional sources of income--document sales and individual donations--remained largely steady. However, in order for somewhat more ambitious plans in the scientific and public education arenas to be undertaken, executive committee members have discussed a number of initiatives designed to augment income. Chief among these were: a) a sale of various Keyhoe documents and memorabilia, including the original, typed manuscript of *Flying Saucers From Outer Space*; b) compilation of a casebook of significant sightings; c) a one-day symposium in the Washington, D.C. area; d) preparation of a chronological history of the UFO phenomenon; e) social events. Several of the initiatives would have the added benefit of strengthening the Fund's reputation with the media and public as a source of quality, objective information on UFOs.

Ultimately, the ability of the Fund to execute its goals depends upon the generosity of its contributors. In large part they have enabled us to conduct groundbreaking UFO research, to help legitimize the subject on several fronts. If you have not contributed recently, we urge you to help us with a tax-deductible donation or a document purchase; if you are one of our "regulars," we thank you and look

forward to hearing from you in the future. In any event, your ideas on how we might improve our operations--both fund-raising and ufological--are always appreciated. ✧

Roswell Premium

Through a special agreement, the International UFO Museum and Research Center in Roswell, NM, is prepared to send a bronze medallion commemorating the Roswell Incident to contributors of at least \$25.00 to the Fund. One side of the medal depicts a crashed UFO, the opposite side features a representation of an alien being. Please check the appropriate space on the reply form if you have contributed and would like to receive this premium. ✧

New Publications

Please note three new publications being offered for sale by the Fund: *A Scientific Analysis of the Videotape Taken By Space Shuttle Discovery on Shuttle Flight STS-48 Showing Sharply Accelerating Objects* by Dr. Jack Kashner. This study, which the Fund helped underwrite, looks at the behavior of strange glowing objects photographed from the shuttle and concludes they weren't ice particles. *The Sympathetic Ear* by Thomas E. Bullard. Fund board member Dr. Bullard looks again at the structure of abduction reports, this time as gleaned from an abduction investigator survey. *UFOs and Science: The Collected Writings of James E. McDonald*, edited by Valerie Vaughan. Meticulous research and clear thinking are reflected in these collected writings and letters of the late Dr. McDonald. ✧

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INCOME

Coalition ¹	\$36,332.70
Donations	2,174.60
Sales	1,947.86
Long-term Capital Gain	416.62
Postage & Handling, pre-paid	137.00
Dividend/Interest	117.13
 TOTAL INCOME	 \$41,125.91

EXPENSES

Grant Programs	\$25,759.62
Coalition ²	\$24,367.06
FUFOR	1,392.56
 Administrative Expenses ³	 \$ 8,288.55
Books ⁴	\$ 4,693.00
Publishing	2,056.88
Mailing Services	847.29
Postage	546.71
Misc. supplies	144.67
 Other Business Services	 \$ 807.31
Management Fees	475.00
Telephone	241.21
Computer Services	48.00
Messenger Service	23.10
Bank Charges	20.00
 Travel/Meetings	 \$ 600.00
 Fund-Raising/Promotion	 \$ 30.00
 TOTAL EXPENSES	 \$35,485.48

NET INCOME OVER EXPENSES	\$ 5,640.43
Refunds	-30.25

NET GAIN/LOSS FOR QUARTER	\$ 5,610.18
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1. CUFOS/FUFOR/MUFON Coalition sponsor payments to Fund for jointly funded projects
2. FUFOR expenditures for Coalition funded projects
3. Includes cost of maintaining product inventory
4. Includes payment for Abduction Conference at M.I.T. books